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SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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CONSTRUCTION OF JETTIES AT DIAMOND HARBOUR
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to construct five jetties at Diamond Harbour of West Bengal:

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds likely to be spent on these jetties; and

(d) the time by which these jetties are likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (d): A High Power Committee (HPC) constituted by the Department of Shipping to study various aspects of containerization in Kolkata Dock System and Haldia Dock System to improve container traffic in these two dock systems had recommended the development of container handling facilities at Diamond Harbour in Kolkata Port. A consultant has been appointed for preparation of the feasibility report. The report will, inter alia, indicate the potential traffic, evacuation facilities, capacity of stack yards, the number of jetties to be constructed for container handling and the estimated cost of the project.